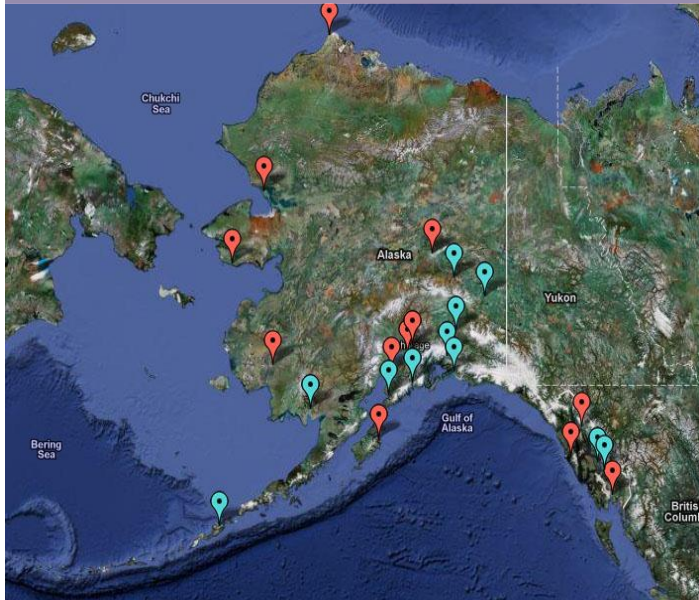


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Legislative Information Office (LIO)

The Legislative Affairs Agency's Information & Teleconferencing Section is a network of 23 regional offices across Alaska. Our mission is to facilitate communication between the Legislature and the public.

Alaska's Legislative Information Offices Can Help You:

- Effectively navigate and use the Alaska State Legislature website
- Testify at hearings
- Send Public Opinion Messages
- Read a bill
- Watch hearings
- Track bills
- Understand how Alaska's government works
- Be proactive
- Be informed
- Convey your message
- Solve problems and create solutions
- Change laws
- Shape your world
- Make Alaska and your community a better place to live

Teleconferencing and Public Hearing Protocol

Public hearing teleconferences are electronic extensions of the committee process, and are usually limited to a specific subject or bill. The chair may request that the testimony be limited to a certain length of time, and will decide the order of participation in the teleconference. Before beginning your testimony, state your name and who you represent, if applicable. Remember to identify yourself each time you speak. Indicate to the chair when you have concluded your testimony. Hearing protocol is selected by the committee chairperson. Teleconference protocol during formal committee meetings shall be designed to serve the agenda of the committee and accommodate the conventions of a legislative hearing.

Facilitating Communication Between You and Your Legislators

“Our statewide network of Legislative Information Offices are one of many ways to link with policy makers. Over my lifetime as an involved Alaskan, I have often gone to the local LIO to observe a committee hearing in person, testify on a bill being heard in Juneau, or just to get information. The LIO also provides a meeting place for elected officials to meet with people.”

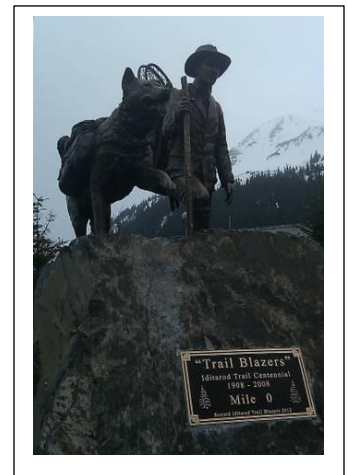
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“Legislative Information Offices and their staff are the first stop for constituent information and inclusion in governmental process for all Alaskans. The LIO assists with making the governmental process within fingertips reach for all Alaskans, young and old.”

Representative Mike Chenault

“The LIO is a terrific asset for Seward. The LIO keeps the community informed about what bills are going through public hearings and testimony times. The LIO assists with Permanent Fund applications. People know to go to the LIO if they need to contact legislative officials.”

Vanta Shafer, former Seward Mayor



Printed copies of the following Legislative publications are available from regional LIOs:

- Alaska Constitution
- Alaska Citizens Guide to the Constitution
- Uniform Rules
- Handbook on Alaska State Government
- Summary of Legislation
- Status of Bills and Resolutions
- Bills, Resolutions, and Slip Laws
- Roster of Members
- Alaska State Legislature Directory
- Directory of State Officials
- Legislative Process in Alaska
- Glossary of Legislative Terms
- House and Senate Journals
- Information & Teleconferencing Handouts

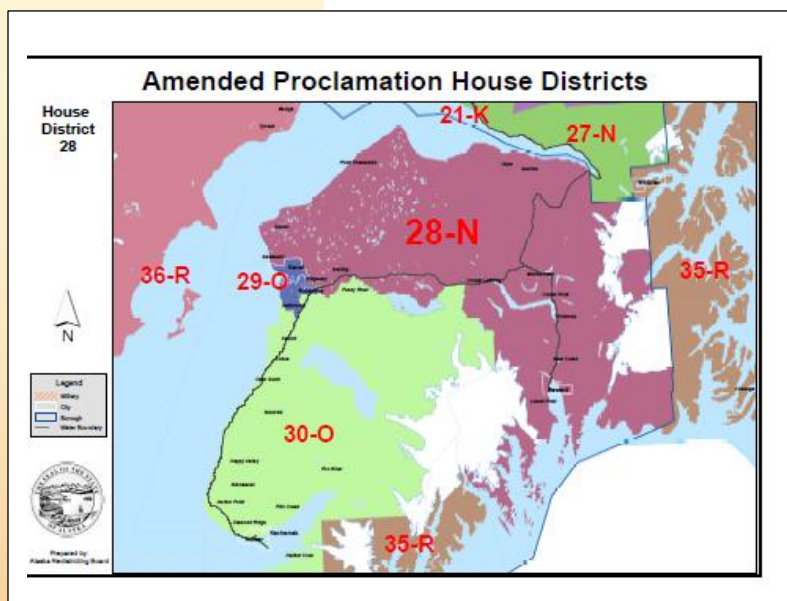


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The website is the place
to track bills, locate and
contact your Legislators
and access committee
information. The features
of this website include:

- A daily calendar and
schedule of committee
meetings and
legislative floor
sessions
- Links to video and
audio streaming footage of floor sessions and
select committee meetings
- Contact information for Legislators and
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- A bill tracking service that provides email
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